# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4972
ANSWERED ON:19.04.2001
AMOUNT OUTSTANDING AGAINST FOREIGN AIRLINES
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**Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether a number of foreign airlines owe a huge amount to different oil companies as cost of turbine fuel;

(b) if so, the details of foreign airlines that have defaulted payment of their dues to Public Sector Oil Companies; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to recover the dues from these airlines?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR )

(a) to (c) : Yes, Sir. It is mainly on account of non-payment of sales tax on Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) supplied to them. The details of non-payment of sales tax by foreign airlines as on 31.03.2001 is given in Annexure.

Under the Air Services Agreements signed by India with foreign countries, it is stipulated that the airlines of the concerned signatories shall be exempted from all national duties and levies on fuel on a reciprocal basis. Various states like Maharashtra, West-Bengal, Delhi and Tamil Nadu levy Sales-tax on sale of ATF to International Airlines.The international Airlines have refused to pay the Sales-tax on ATF under the plea that they are exempted from all national duties and levies on fuel under Air Service Agreements signed by India with their country.

Consequent upon the de-control of ATF pricing with effect from 01.04.2001, a decision has also been taken that the under-recoveries incurred by the oil companies due to non-recovery of sales-tax on sale of ATF to foreign airlines shall be borne by the Oil Pool Account.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4972 ANSWER ON THE 19TH APRIL, 2001 REGARDING AMOUNT OUTSTANDING AGAINST FOREIGN AIRLINES.

(Rs./Crs.)

| | IOC | BPC | HPC | TOTAL |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Aeroflot Soviet Airlines | 20.42 | - | 1.34 | 21.76 |
| Air Canada | - | 3.04 | - | 3.04 |
| Air France | 46.34 | - | - | 46.34 |
| Air Maldives | 0.84 | - | - | 0.84 |
| Air Mauritius | 0.17 | 5.54 | - | 5.71 |
| Alitalia | - | 38.15 | - | 38.15 |
| All Nippon Airlines | - | 4.38 | - | 4.38 |
| Asiana Airlines | - | 1.98 | - | 1.98 |
| Austrian Airlines | 4.95 | - | - | 4.95 |
| Bellview Airlines | - | 0.82 | - | 0.82 |
| Biman Bangladesh | 4.78 | - | - | 4.78 |
| British Airways | 11.48 | 95.99 | - | 107.47 |
| Cargolux | 3.52 | - | - | 3.52 |
| Cathay Pacific Airways | 11.21 | - | - | 11.21 |
| Delta Airlines | - | 0.48 | 21.53 | 22.01 |
| Druk Air | - | - | - | - |
| Egypt Air | - | 1.31 | - | 1.31 |
| El Al Israel | 14.08 | - | - | 14.08 |
| Emirates | - | 6.39 | - | 6.39 |
| Gulf Airways | 4.75 | 4.94 | - | 9.69 |
| Japan Airlines | - | 3.03 | - | 3.03 |
| Kenya Airways | - | 1.26 | 6.11 | 7.37 |
| KLM Royal Dutch | 2.85 | 41.96 | - | 44.81 |
| Korean Air | - | 5.01 | - | 5.01 |
| Kuwait Airways | 16.19 | - | - | 16.19 |
| Kyrghyzstan | 0.37 | - | - | 0.37 |
| Luda Air | 0.81 | - | - | 0.81 |
| Lufthansa German Airlines | 102.22 | - | - | 102.22 |

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| Malaysian Airlines | 7.76 | - | - | 7.76 |
| Matin Air | - | 0.01 | - | 0.01 |
| Middle East Airlines | - | 0.28 | - | 0.28 |
| North West Airlines | 8.75 | 14.78 | - | 23.53 |
| Oman Airways | 3.04 | - | - | 3.04 |
| Quantas Airways | 3.03 | - | - | 3.03 |
| Royal Jordanina Airlines | 11.70 | - | - | 11.70 |
| Sabena | 4.91 | - | - | 4.91 |
| Saudi Arabian Airlines | 28.72 | - | - | 28.72 |
| Scandinavian Airlines | 6.15 | - | - | 6.15 |
| Silk Air | 0.77 | - | - | 0.77 |
| Singapore Airlines | 24.22 | 10.47 | - | 34.69 |
| Srilankan Airways | 2.16 | - | - | 2.16 |
| Swiss Air | 4.01 | 50.15 | - | 54.16 |
| Syrian Arab Airlines | 2.19 | - | - | 2.19 |
| Thai Airways | 5.57 | 0.01 | - | 5.58 |
| Turkeministan Airways | 0.74 | - | - | 0.74 |
| United Airlines | 6.80 | - | - | 6.80 |
| United Parcel Service | - | 2.98 | - | 2.98 |
| Uzbekistan Airways | - | 3.17 | - | 3.17 |
| Virgin Alantic | - | 2.26 | - | 2.26 |
| Yemenia Yemen Airways | 1.40 | - | - | 1.40 |
| TOTAL | 366.90 | 298.39 | 28.98 | 694.27 |